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REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE  
310 FIRST STREET SE  
WASHINGTON, DC 20003

**Response Due Date**  
**05/21/2013**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00003418

REFERENCE: AMENDED 30 DAY POST-GENERAL REPORT (10/18/2012 -  
11/26/2012), RECEIVED 01/31/2013

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 4 item(s):

1. Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why each disbursement was made. Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) of your report to clarify the following description(s): "ENTERTAINMENT SERVICES." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursement, please refer to 11 CFR 104.3(b)(3)(i).

Additional clarification regarding inadequate purposes of disbursement published in the Federal Register can be found at [http://www.fec.gov/law/policy/purposeofdisbursement/inadequate\\_purpose\\_list\\_3507.pdf](http://www.fec.gov/law/policy/purposeofdisbursement/inadequate_purpose_list_3507.pdf).

2. Schedule B of your report discloses reimbursements to staff for apparent travel and subsistence advances in which the total amount reimbursed exceeds \$500. When the reimbursement amount to staff for travel and subsistence advances exceeds \$500, the payments by staff to any one vendor that make up the reimbursement may have to be itemized. For example, if the related payments to any one vendor aggregate in excess of \$200 for the calendar year, the staff advance payment to the vendor must also be itemized in a memo entry for that reimbursement. Each memo entry must include the complete name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and detailed purpose of the advance. If itemization is not necessary for a particular reimbursement to

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staff in excess of \$500, you must indicate so in an amendment to this report. Please amend your report to include the missing or clarifying information. See Advisory Opinion 1996-20 for additional clarification. (11 CFR § 104.9)

**3.** Schedule B of your report discloses disbursements with the purpose "per diem" that appear to be made from petty cash. Please be advised that disbursements from a petty cash fund to any person or vendor for any single purchase or transaction may not exceed \$100. If payments to the original vendor exceed \$200 in a calendar year, a memo entry including the name of the original vendor as well as address, date, amount, and purpose of the original purchase must be provided. Please amend your report to include the missing information or provide clarifying information if memo items are not required. (2 U.S.C. § 432(h)(2) and 11 CFR § 102.11)

**4.** The limitation on making coordinated party expenditures on behalf of a House candidate for the 2012 general election is \$45,600. Your reports, however, disclose coordinated party expenditures that appear to exceed the limitations under 2 U.S.C. §441a(d) (see attached).

If any apparently excessive expenditure in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If you have made an excessive coordinated party expenditure, you must notify the candidate and request a refund of the amount in excess of the limitation.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund request sent to the candidate. In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received.

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the excessive coordinated party expenditures, prompt action in obtaining a refund will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §103.3(b)(1) and (3))

**Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter.** Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to

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taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1139.

Sincerely,



Nicole Della Rocco  
Senior Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

**Excessive Coordinated Expenditure to a Committee/Candidate  
Republican National Committee (C00003418)**

Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Election	State/District
BRIAN BILBRAY	10/19/2012	\$65,000.00	G2012	CA-52
MATTHEW DOHENY	10/29/2012	\$75,175.00	G2012	NY-21
DANNY TARKANIAN	10/24/2012	\$65,000.00	G2012	NV-4